

Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedures

On a party's motion, or on the Court's own initiative after reviewing the docketing statement, the Court may refer a civil case to alternative dispute resolution. *See* TEX.CIV.PRAC. & REM.CODE ANN. §154.021. Any party may file a written objection to the ADR order within 10 days of the date of the order. The Court will review the objection and make a timely ruling after its receipt. If the Court finds a reasonable basis for the objection, it will sustain the objection and withdraw the mediation order.

The Eighth Court of Appeals is required to establish and maintain a list of all persons who are registered with the court to serve as a mediator. *See* TEX.CIV.PRAC. & REM.CODE ANN. §37.003(a)(3). The qualifications to be appointed as a mediator under Chapter 154 of the Civil Practice and Remedies Code are found in Section 154.052. *See* TEX.CIV.PRAC. & REM.CODE ANN. §154.052. Any person who meets these qualifications and wishes to register with the Eighth Court of Appeals to serve as mediator must email the Clerk of the Court, Denise Pacheco: Denise.Pacheco@txcourts.gov.